2015 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 40


Relating to: the life and service of Wisconsin State Trooper Trevor Casper.

Whereas, Trevor was born on May 21, 1993, in Kiel, Wisconsin, to Kevin and Deborah Casper, and died on March 24, 2015, in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, while in the line of duty; and

Whereas, Trevor was a 2011 graduate of Kiel High School in Kiel, Wisconsin, and while attending Kiel High School he was an active member of the wrestling and soccer teams, as well as a youth soccer coach; and

Whereas, Trevor attended Lakeshore Technical College in Cleveland, Wisconsin, Trevor was the president of the student government association in 2013–2014, an active member of the Color Guard, and the recipient of a leadership award from the student government association at Lakeshore Technical College in Cleveland, Wisconsin; and

Whereas, Trevor graduated in May 2014 with academic honors from the criminal justice associate degree program and completed his training in the Wisconsin State Patrol Academy at Fort McCoy in Wisconsin in 2014; and
Whereas, on Friday, December 19, 2014, Trevor was sworn in as a Wisconsin State Trooper at the Wisconsin State Patrol Trooper ceremony in Madison, Wisconsin, and upon completion Trevor was stationed at the State Trooper Base in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin;

Whereas, Trevor died in the line of duty on March 24, 2014, at the age of 21; and

Whereas, on that day Trooper Casper followed the vehicle of a suspect who was wanted for robbing a bank earlier in the day in Marinette County and subsequently killing a man during his escape; and

Whereas, the suspect maneuvered his vehicle through a parking lot onto a city street, exited the vehicle, and then began firing at Trooper Casper; and

Whereas, Trooper Casper returned fire, and both he and the suspect were killed in the exchange of gunfire; and

Whereas, Trooper Casper bravely gave his life to prevent a dangerous criminal from inflicting further suffering on innocent citizens; and

Whereas, Trevor bravely committed himself to protect and faithfully serve his community and he will be deeply missed; and

Whereas, Trevor was the cherished son of Kevin and Deborah Casper, brother to Lauren and Olivia Casper, and treasured friend to many, and his family and fellow citizens are proud to have known him and appreciate his devotion to family and the protection of others; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the legislature of the state of Wisconsin honors the extraordinary life of Trevor Casper and extends its sincere sympathies to his family, friends, and colleagues; and, be it further
Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall transmit a copy of this joint resolution to Trevor’s family.